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**In the specification:**

Please insert, on page 1, in the first line of the specification, following the title, the  
following new paragraph:

AI --This application is a continuation of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 08/868,401,  
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**In the claims**

Please cancel claims 3-6, 11, and 12 without prejudice to or disclaimer of the subject  
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